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Russia: More Western Air Defenses Deployed to Europe Crosses a ‘Red Line’

Russian Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Grushko expressed serious concern about the latest deployments of Western air defense forces in Eastern Europe, saying the moves “[crossed a red line](#),” and show NATO is continuing to build up along Russia’s border.

Though Grushko wasn’t specific, it is believed that the deployment refers to the [US deploying the 678th Air Defense Artillery Brigade into Germany](#) over the past week, the first time such a US brigade has been in Europe since the Cold War.



Indeed, Grushko said Russia believes that NATO in general are in the processing of restoring old Cold War schemes into the region, saying that such moves should be retired into the past long ago.

NATO chief Jens Stoltenberg [denied that NATO is deliberately](#) trying to isolate Russia in the manner done during the Cold War. He did, however, defend NATO doing exactly that, saying it was the only way to show their “unhappiness” toward Russia.